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Ban the freezing of human embryos.

A.D. 1996.

BE IT ENACTED by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:—

5 **1.**—(1) Section 3 of the Human Fertilisation and Embryology Act 1990 (Prohibitions in connection with embryos) shall be amended as follows. Ban on freezing of embryos.

(2) In subsection (3) there shall be inserted a new paragraph as follows—

“(aa) freezing an embryo,”

10 (3) After subsection (4) there shall be inserted a new subsection as follows—

“**(5)** In this section, “freezing” includes any form of storage at temperatures below 0°Celsius.”

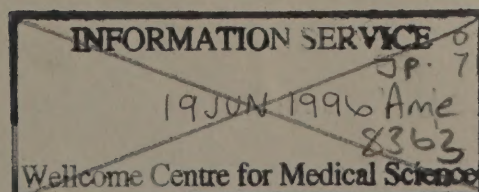
15 **2.**—(1) This Act may be cited as the Freezing of Human Embryos Act 1996. Citation and extent.

(2) This Act extends to Northern Ireland.

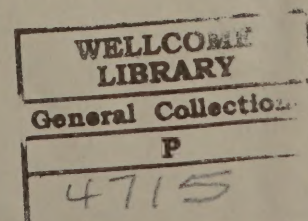
(3) Subject to any Order made after the passing of this Act by virtue of subsection (1)(a) of section 3 of the Northern Ireland Constitution Act 1973, the activities governed by this Act shall not be transferred matters for the purposes of that Act, but shall for the purposes of subsection (2) of that section be treated as specified in Schedule 3 to that Act. 1973 c. 36.

20 (4) Her Majesty may by Order in Council direct that any of the provisions of this Act shall extend, with such exceptions, adaptations and modifications (if any) as may be specified in the Order, to any of the Channel Islands.

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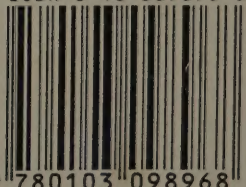
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